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GOVERNOR BARBOUR APPOINTS STATE SENATOR DAVIS TO JUDICIAL POST

Jackson, Mississippi – Governor Haley Barbour today announced the appointment of Sen. Vincent Davis of Fayette to the 17th District Chancery Court position. His appointment begins XXXX 2009.

Davis replaces Judge Kennie E. Middleton, who died in September. The 17th Chancery Court District includes the following four counties: Adams, Claiborne, Jefferson and Wilkinson.

"While his work in the Senate will be missed, Vincent Davis <u>will</u> bring integrity and leadership to the bench," Governor Barbour said. "I know he will be an asset to the State's <u>judicial</u> system and <u>will</u> continue to serve <u>our</u> citizens with <u>fairness</u> and dedication."

Davis will resign his District 36 State Senate seat, which includes Claiborne, Copiah, Hinds and Jefferson counties. A special election will be held to replace him.

Davis currently has a general law practice in Natchez. He has also served as city attorney for Fayette since March 2004. Previously, he was an assistant district attorney for the 6th Circuit Court District where his duties included prosecuting felony cases and serving as the primary prosecutor for cases originating in Wilkinson County, administering the district's Pretrial Intervention program.

He is a member of the Magnolia Bar Association, the Mississippi Prosecutor's Association, the American Bar Association and the Mississippi and Texas Bars. Davis received <u>a</u> bachelor's degree from Alcorn State University and his law degree from Mississippi College <u>School of Law</u>.

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